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For: A METHOD FOR ISOLATING A POLYNUCLEOTIDE OF INTEREST FROM THE
GENOME OF A MYCOBACTERIUM USING A BAC-BASED DNA LIBRARY,
APPLICATION TO THE DETECTION OF MYCOBACTERIA

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a four month extension of time to respond to the
Office Action of July 1, 2002 (December 1, 2002, being a Sunday). A fee of \$1,440.00
is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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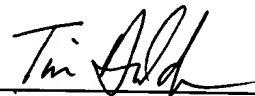
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